GREATEST CITY IN UNION, MAYOR SMITH'S PLAN

Addition of Area as Large as Atlanta, Ga., Part of General Scheme

GGEST PORT INCLUDED

The Smith Administration's plans for The Smith Administration's plans for bladelphia are now revealed. The estest, finest city in the country is the dministration's aim. A new city within edity, stretching over suburban mead-us and woodlands to boundaries limited only by the support of Philadelphians, in unfold during the next four years. Thus it was sketched by directors of the Administration before men trained grasp the full beauty of the idea, at a meeting of the Philadelphia Clapter, merican Institute of Architects, in the cridian Club. Chancellor and Camac ceets, last night.

as the details of the plans for the com-sted city of the future were unfolded, seers and hand clapping drowned the eakers' words, but in the sound was the omise of support by the entire chapter, lodrew Wright Crawford, secretary of Art Jury, put the greater part of the ministration's plans before the archiministration is plants octore the archi-tes. Then Director Datesman, of the partment of Public Works, and Direc-Webster, of the Department of larves, Docks and Ferries, explained plans as they concerned their re-scive departments.

within four years," said Mr. Craw-d, "you will see added to Philadelphia brand new city; a city the size of anta, Ga. In the work of city plan-ing we must look to the future with road mind. I shall turn to the Federal itsites of the population of 25 great serican cities; a metropolis census, they m it. They go beyond the actual madries of the city, and show us that the outlying sections of Philadelphia population grew nearly half as much

the outlying sections of Philadelphia population srew nearly half as much in as in the central section. This," he continued, "was due to the ine of people to get into the country, the automobile greatly aided in the elopment. That is one of the fight this in city planning—the extension of suburbs so that the city's people may the the pure country air as much as sible. That is what one of our mair athe the pure country air as much as sible. That is what one of our main ats will be, we hope.

So we must prepare for the people are coming to live in this great new of which I have told you. This will g about the development of our subset. We shall not forget the centre of the country of the control of the control of the control of the control of the centre of the control of the centre of the centre

city, however. I don't want to deal a skyscrapers. The skyscrapers of a York have proved either advertise-its, monuments or failures."

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s then dwelt on the plans for imrement in port facilities.

believe our greatest opportunity lies
southwest Philadelphia—that is, the
ion on the other side of the Schuyi"Mr. Crawford said. "There we
I locate the future great port of
adelphia—a port unsurpassed in all
world. and 2000 feet long, while now they sure but 500 feet. Already three great

coads, the Baltimore and Ohio, the adelphia and Reading and the Penn-ania pass through that section, so our shippers would have rail facilrunning right to their docks. trunning right to their docks, hope to see the limits of the city of adelphia extended to the northwest daries of Chester, and, if possible, include the city of Chester itself. The eveloped lands of this section would up in value like skyrockets, and any miditures would be paid for and would I annual profits in he time."

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on Camden would, in effect, be a part
he city, if, the proposed plans were
med, said Mr. Crawford. He asked peedy work to complete the Parkway the Art Museum. othing will prove so valuable com-ially to Philadelphia as their imme-

completion." he declared, rector Datesman assailed the present ition of the Parkway and declared for dy action for its completion. It had an eyesore long enough, he asserted, th would be the first requisite in owing the city, he said, sector Datesman amplified the ad-s of Mr. Crawford concerning port

of us in a solid mass and tell us to

olice Court Chronicles

y O'Neill like music, especially when roduces it himself. He is under the firmly believes that he can create ony in most anything. Billy's mu-ambition is especially strong after as visited the saloons, Today he



Front and Master streets. sound of his own voice made him enthusiastic. He found a pan, with g handle, in front of a hardware and got the impression that it was

twanged with his fingers, despite pinions of those who lived nearby-ere words were futile, the audience ated Hilly with a number of houin the shape of cans and discarded in the shape of cans and discarded ery. But he played on. His mind traveling in the world of romance, ing with memories of the old maswhen suddenly a live cat landed on sek from a nearby window. At this il wanted to "lick" the neighbor-Policeman Tourison saved sev-tyes, perhaps, by taking him to the and Master streets station. Sistrate Yates couldn't agree with when the latter asserted that the

unity needed him to make the pea-sppy. Finally, at the suggestion of fagistrate he decided to hold his ales in other parts and was dis-

oincare Sees New Guns Tested tls, Jan. 24.—President Poincare and Thomas, Under Secretary for War, present at the trials at Satury of the newly invented trench can-nd bullet-proof shields.



GRADUATING CLASSES AT THE FURNESS SCHOOL TODAY



DEADLY WEAPONS LOOT OF THREE SMALL BOYS OF "MURDER SQUAD"

Police Say Prisoners, Ranging From 13 to 15 Years, Confessed Robbing Stores of Pistols and Knives

'PROFESSIONAL' METHODS

Confession of a series of daring rob beries of hardware stores and Chinese laundries in West Philadelphia by a band of small boys, who called themselves "the Murder Squad," was wrung today by detectives from three youths at the 39th street and Lancaster avenue station.

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The boys under arrest are William Bird, 15 years old, 856 Union street; Eugene Ennis, 12 years old, 717 Union street, and William Shanahan, 13 years old, 2851 Market street. They are being held for a hearing in the House of Detention. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of a fourth boy, and it is expected that others will be taken into custody. The arrests clear up a number of robberies of hardware stores in the West Philadelphia section which have buffled the police for several weeks. for severnt weeks.

LIKE "PROPESSIONALS."

The boys, the police say, went about their work with the instinct and daring of professionals. Their method, it is alleged, was to station themselves in front of the display window of a pawn shop at night. Then when a trolley car or a subway train was passing, the police say, one of the boys would smash a hole in the window with a piece of iron

The rumble of the subway train or trolley would drown the crash of glass, and the boys, it is alleged, would reach in through the window and grab all articles within their reach. The youths, the police allege, had a tendency to steal revolvers, and it is stated that they obtained about 25 of these weapons from the windows of pawnshops. These the boys sold, it is said, to persons in their neighborhoods. of the revolvers have been recov

BOWIE KNIFE BETRAYS BAND. The bonstfulness of one of the members the "murder squad" brought about the

treet of the hoys.

Policeman Mooney, of the 29th street
and Lancaster avenue police station,
started a conversation with Bird and
Sanis at 40th and Market streets. Mooney and no suspicion of the boys until Bird irew a large bowle knife from under-neath his red sweater and said boast-

"Look at the edge on that knife; ain't | charge of William K, Abadie.

"Look at the edge on that knife; ain't it sharp?"

The policeman took the knife and examined it curiously.

"Mighty good knife," he commented, "where did you get it?"

Young Bird looked uncomfortable, stammered, and finally said:

"Oh a feller I know gave it to me. I have always wanted such a knife, for I have read a lot how the cowboys carry them out West."

"You boys had better come along with me," said Mooney, and he took them to the station. There, after being questioned by Detectives Shannon and Harbridge, they confessed to robbing the hardware stores of William Herman, 3718 Market they confessed to robbing the hardware stores of William Herman, 3718 Market street, and William Madway, 4279 Lancaster avenue. They implicated Shanahan, and the detectives went to his home, routed him out of bed and took him to the station. The police say they are certain that the boys are responsible for the looting of the pawnshop of Herman Swift, 53d street and Woodland avenue. The same method of smashing the display window was employed at that place. The police state that the members of the "Murder Squad" would watch a Chinese laundry until the proprietor departed to Chinatown or some other place. Chinese laundry until the proprietor de-parted to Chinatown or some other place, and then they would bring their iron pipe into play and break the window. Then, it is alleged, they would raise the window

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PACEL POST HEMSTITCHING



Above—8th B Grade, Miss A. G. Campbell, teacher. Top row, left to right—Louis Margoles, Lillian Friedman, Samuel Miller, Anna Gettlin, David Gorsenstein, Lillian Hendler, Elias Fineman, Lillian Goldberg, Leon Sauberblatt. Second row—Harry Wood, Sarah Singer, Isaac Feldman, Mr. Coles, Miss A. G. Campbell, teacher; Mr. Pund, Joseph Liebman, Sarah Elfenstein, Sadie Neuman, Rose Farber. Third row—Samuel Yerkes, Louis Steinburg, Anna Weiner, Hymen Bronstein, Rose Eiseman, Bernard Schwartz, Doris Berzon, Meyer Lavinsky, Rebecca Frankel, Jennie Melmed. Fourth row—Matilda Burkle. Maurice Sall, Jennie Kaplan, Samuel Zorn, Reba Babitsky, Israel Cohen, Rebecca Barish, Gustav C. F. Helm, 3d, Sarah Frank. Bottom row—Grace Haworth, Fannie Pollock, Sarah Dranoff, Rubin Ellman, Isabel Bloomburg, Sophie Gillen. Below 8th B Grade, William K. Abadie, teacher. Top row, left to right— Samuel Brown, Anna Junek, Samuel Jacobovitz, Emma Maves, George Thompson, Gussie Kimmel, Israel Koperstein, Peter Rich, Raymond Smith. Second row—David Hoffman, Mae Hahl, David Stein, Rebecca Rubin, Esthe Levine, Nathan Nameroff, Celia Cohen, Myer Stadlin. Third row—Florence Long, Esther Squiresky, Hyman Parris, Ida Greenburg, Marie Fisbeck, Lillian Jacobson, Albert Davidow, Mary Kearney, Yetta Silverstein, Fourth row—William Slogoff, Morris Byer, Jeannette Levin, Herbert Speiser, William K. Abadie, Elizabeth Zukerman, Arthur Werblum, Sara Wensek, Frank Cohen. Sitting—Grace Donahue, Clara Babetsky, Dorothy Marenoff, Bessie Kaplan.

HOWARD FURNESS SCHOOL GRADUATES 80 TONIGHT

More Than Thousand Invitations Is- Much to Drive Feathered Tribe Away sued for Exercises

Eighty pupils will be graduated tonight. from the commencement exercises of the Howard Furness Public School, 2d and Mifflin streets, and the boys of the grad-uating class will be the first to enter the nating class will be the first to enter the new addition to the Boya' High School, at Broad street and Snyder avenue. More than a thousand invitations have been sent out for the exercises tonight, which will be held in the main auditorium of the school. The graduating class is di-vided into two groups, one in charge of Miss A. G. Campbell and the other in

The program includes dancing by Miss Louise Segal; selections on the violin by Morris Sale; a melody of popular airs by Edward Blatt, 5 years old; violin selections by Louis Steinberg; selections by a trio, Arthur Blank, Nathan Shapiro and Leon Blatt, and a vocal duet by Miss Bessle Kaplan and Leon Blatt.

Mrs. Thomas H. Johnston, wife of the principal of the school, is on the proprincipal of the school, is on the pro-gram for a plano solo, after which the eighth grade, under the direction of Miss Campbell, will sing and recite the 19th psalm. Addresses will be made by Jo-seph Liebman and Herbert Speizer, pres-idents of the two divisions of the gradu-ating class. Mary Cary will end the ex-ercises by singing "Sing Me to Sleep."

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KALBFUS PLEADS FOR BIRDS

Charges State Farmers With Doing

HARRISBURG, Jan. 27. - Dr. Joseph Kalbfus, secretary of the State Gam Commission, specialing before the State Board of Agriculture here today, charged that the farmers of the State not only have done nothing to attract birds to their land, but have actually done much to delive them away. to drive them away.

Doctor Kalbfus said that birds are of great value to the farmer, and he urged the building of birdhouses in trees.

Child Ill From Drinking Kerosene

Charles Mousley, 2½ years old, an in-mate of the Children's Home, 15th street near Montgomery avenue, is in a serious condition at the Women's Homeopathic Hospital from drinking the contents of a glass half filled with kerosene. An at-ferming at the home was sharmoning the head of another child with the kerosene, and when she left the room the Mousey boy drank what was left in the glass.

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New York Expert's Estimate of \$70,000,000 Surprises Public Service Com-

IN VALUATION OF

\$19,000,000 JUMP

EFFORT TO HURRY CASE

Discrepancy in the valuation of the filladelphia Electric Company's propery, as made by the company's expert witic Service Commission of charges by forner Director Cooke and others that the

An entirely new estimate of the "prox-ent fair valuation" of the property was offered today by F. B. H. Paine, of New York, an engineer and financial expert, giving direct testimony for the company. He placed the valuation between \$19,000,00

This brought a query from Commis-sioner John Monaghan, why a discrep-ancy existed between this figure and the figure entirented by Prof. Dugald C. the figure entirented by Prot. Fugure & Jackson, the company's appraisal expert, who recently testified that after 18 months of appraisal he valued the property at about \$5,000,00). The Paine estimate also is about 125 per cent. greater than the "actual valuation" made by Mr.

"Wherein does this discrepancy of \$19,000,000 or so exist?" asked the commis-

SUBPRISED AT DISCREPANCY After several futile attempts to learn where the difference lay. Commissioner

where the difference lay Commissioner Monaghan commented:

"There is such a steat discrepancy that it tends to make both figures valueless," I see you give full valuation to \$28,000,000 of certificates and stock which were included in the original corporation figure," he added. "In consideration of the fact that this comment, was organized. fact that this company was organized about 30 years ago and of the attending circumstances, do you not think that we can well assume that 100 cents on the dollar was not actually paid in?"
"Yes," replied Mr. Paine.

EFFORT TO HASTEN HEARING. Efforts to hasten the completion of the hearing were made by Commissioner Monaghan, who inquired what had become of the committee appointed six weeks ago, representing the complainants, the defendant and the commission, to estimate the original cost of the com-

"The report was to be made today," he said. "Where is it? I want all this phase of the hearing settled by next Thursday."

General Frederick W. Fleitz, chief counsel for the company, disclaimed any responsibility for the delay. After a con-ference the counsel for the complainants and defendant were instructed to consult with their accountants and engineers who are to present the report.

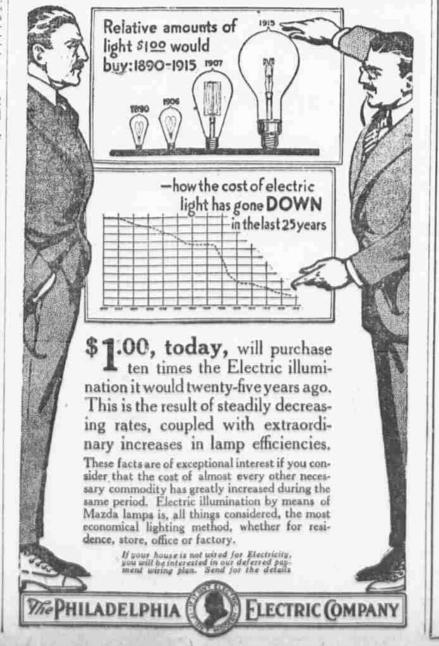
Big Four Clerks on Strike

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 27. — Fifty rail-road clerks on the Big Four Italiroad were on strike here today, and before night, G. B. Harris, chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, says 400 more will walk out. Harris says 200 freight handlers will join them. The ques-tion of wages doesn't figure, the clerks demanding only recognition of the uni



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U. S. IS INVOLVED IN DISPUTES WITH **5 BELLIGERENTS**

Issue and Handling of Armed Liners Unsettled

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27. Diplomatic problems continued muitiply-Ing today. France and Italy were new countries involved in new disputes over blockade of Germany and mounting of gures on Italian Inverse respectively. With England, lines were drawn for renewal of negotiations over the orders in counell; with Germany, negotiations for final

ettlement of the Lusitania case suffered a brief respite while this Government's demands are being considered in Revin. The State Department was today considering a new and separate protect to France over French comperation with England in enfecting the British orders in council blockading Germany. The debate in Parliament over the blockade was closely studied. The Administration, as a result, has little hope of consessions from the Alles in reply to its note notifying England that it would not recognize the "paper blockade." Announcement that France will ald England and is joining in the forthcoming note to this country was regarded by officials as foreshadowing inclusion of France in future protests.

BRITAIN DECIDES AGAINST FORMAL BLOCKADE OF FOE

Lusitania Case, Blockade Sir Edward Grey Triumphs Over Proponents of Drastic Policy

FRANCE TO GET PROTEST STILL BURNING ISSUE

LONDON, Jan. 27, British leaders who have opposed the stablishment of a blockade because of the effect it would have on neutral nations expressed high approval today of the action of the Government in staving off any action that might have further allerated the sympathics of non-belliger-

ently won a triumph for his policy, and it is declared that the question of a blockade is for the time being at least relegated to the background.

The criticism that has recently been leveled at the Foreign Secretary, Sir Edward Grey, was noticeably lessened today as a result of the masterly way in which he handled the blockade issue for the Government. The antigovernment press, headed by the

Northeliffe papers, says that "for the time being consideration of the inter-ests of nestral nations has again defeated All developments in the blockade situation, according to belief here in afficial circles, tend toward an eventual offer of arbitration of the blockade issues. Other in the blockade issues, Other in the blockade issues with resultant commerce interferences with stight concessions wherever possible to appears the neutrals.





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